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GROUP 2811

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New Patent Application of )  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al. ) Group Art Unit:2811  
Serial No. 09/118,010 )  
Filed: July 17, 2000 ) Examiner: M. GUERRERO  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, )  
METHOD OF FABRICATING )  
SAME, AND ELECTROOPTICAL )  
DEVICE )

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, it is requested that the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), it is certified that either (1) each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement, or (2) no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application and no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (0756-1838).

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